SPECIAL NOTICE TO MARINERS

TABLE OF CONTENTS

CHAPTER 1 EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

- 1. Radio Telephone Distress Calls
- Radio Telephone Urgent Calls Radio Telephone Safety Calls
- 4. Radio Telephone Procedures Aboard a Vessel in Distress
- 5. Radio Telephone Procedures if Observing a Vessel in Distress
- 6. Non-Distress Calls to the Coast Guard
- International Distress Signals
- Visual Distress Signals
- Pyrotechnic Handling and Stowage
- 10. Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS)
- 11. Emergency Position Indicating Radiobeacons (EPIRBs)

CHAPTER 2 SEARCH AND RESCUE OPERATIONS

- 1. Coast Guard Maritime Search and Rescue Assistance Policy
- Request for Medical Advice and Medical Evacuation
- Procedures and Signals Between Air and Surface Craft
- 4. Ship Abandonment and Hypothermia How Hypothermia Affects Adults

CHAPTER 3 COMMUNICATIONS

- 1. Communications with the Coast Guard on VHF-FM and HF (SSB)
- 2. Channel 16
 - No Radio Checks on Channel 16
- Channel 13
- High Power vs Low Power
- VHF Frequencies and Channel Usage
- 6. High Frequency Information

 - Carrier Frequencies
 High Seas Weather Frequencies
- 7. Continuous Weather Information via VHF-FM Radio
 - Weather Broadcast Frequencies
 - National Weather Service Transmitting Stations
- 8. High Seas Weather Facsimile
- 9. Broadcast Notice to Mariners
- 10. Coast Guard Marine Safety Broadcasts
 - Schedule of Marine Information
- 11. Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS)
- 12. Digital Selective Calling (DSC)
- 13. Navigational Warning System (NAVTEX) Schedule of NAVTEX Transmissions
- 14. Additional Information

CHAPTER 4 VESSEL TRAFFIC SAFETY

1. Traffic Separation Scheme

Los Angeles / Long Beach

Santa Barbara Channel TSS

Offshore San Francisco Bay TSS

IMO Recommended Tracks for Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary

IMO Recommended Tracks Diagram

2. Vessel Traffic Service

Los Angeles / Long Beach Marine Exchange Vessel Traffic Information Service (VTIS)

San Francisco Vessel Traffic Service (VTS)
Offshore / Inshore Sectors of San Francisco Traffic Separation Scheme
3. Regulated Navigation Areas

Regulated Navigation Area, San Pedro Bay Regulated Navigation Areas, San Francisco Bay

- 4. Los Angeles and Long Beach Pilot Areas
- 5. Point Arguello Ship Traffic Warning System
- 6. Rules of the Road Enforcement

CHAPTER 5 AIDS TO NAVIGATION

- 1. Cautionary Information Regarding Aids to Navigation
- Reporting Dangers to Navigation Required Reporting of Damaged Aids to Navigation
- 4. Vandalism of Aids to Navigation
- 5. Private Aids to Navigation Including Mooring Buoys
- 6. RACONs

Coast Guard Maintained RACONs

Privately Maintained RACONs

- 7. LORAN
- 8. Global Positioning System (GPS)
- 9. Differential Global Positioning System (DGPS)

CHAPTER 6 COMMON CAUTIONARY SITUATIONS

- 1. Military Operations
- 2. Mine-clearance Operations
- 3. Submarine Operations4. Geophysical Surveying Vessels
- 5. Marine Construction Sites
- Oil Drilling Structures and Vessels
- United States Submarine Cable Act
- 8. Explosive Ordnance
- Warning: Possible Danger from Unlabled Drums
- 10. Alpha Flag for Diving Operations
- 11. Diver Down Flag For California State Waters
- 12. Marine Protection, Research, and Sanctuaries ACT of 1972
- 13. National Marine Sanctuaries
- 14. Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary Boundaries
- 15. Cordell Bank / Farallon Islands National Marine Sanctuary Boundaries
- 16. Monterey Bay

Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary – Chartlet

- 17. Flood Warnings
- 18. Unstable Harbor Entrances

CHAPTER 7 BOATING SAFETY

- 1. Recreational Boating Safety, Standards, and Boating Classes
- **Boat Accident Reporting**
- Float Plans
- 4. Personal Floatation Devices
- 5. Pacific Ocean Whale Watching
- 6. Courtesy Marine Examination

CHAPTER 8 LAW ENFORCEMENT

- 1. Law Enforcement
- 2. Coast Guard Boarding Policy Coast Guard Boarding Team
- 3. Smuggling
- 4. Coast Guard Policy on Stolen Boat Reports5. Hijacking Danger
- 6. Marine Environmental Protection

Clean Water Act / OPA 90 MARPOL 73/78 / APPS

Garbage

Operating a Vessel While Intoxicated

CHAPTER 9 NAUTICAL CHARTS AND RELATED PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners
- 2. How the Account Works
- 3. Other Pacific Area Local Notice to Mariners
- 4. Canada
- 5. National Imagery and Mapping Agency (NIMA)

NIMA Weekly Notice to Mariners

NIMA Summary of Corrections

Automated Notice to Mariners

- 6. Ordering NIMA Publications
- Light List
- 8. National Ocean Service/National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration Ordering NOS Charts and Publications

- National Ocean Service Coast Pilots

 9. Inland and International "Rules of the Road"

 10. Corrections to Nautical Charts
- 11. Nautical Chart Symbols and Abbreviations
- 12. Implementation of North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83)

CHAPTER 10 BRIDGES

- 1. Bridge Administration
- 2. Bridge Clearances
- **Bridge Construction Activities**
- Bridge Navigation Lights and Signals
- 5. Drawbridge Operating Regulations
- 6. Drawbridge Signals Sound Signals

Visual Signals

Radiotelephone Signals

List of Bridge Radiotelephones and Working Frequencies

ENCLOSURES

- Authorized National Ocean Service Nautical Chart Sales Agents
- Glossary of Common Local Notice to Mariners Terms